Application Serial No. 10/629,895 Amendment Dated 30 January 2006 Reply to Office Action of 29 November 2005

REMARKS

Claim 1 has been amended to make it consistent with the language found in original claims

7 and 11.

Claims 7-10 have been amended to make them dependent on claims 1 and 4-6, respectively.

The amendment made to process claims 7-10 to depend on the product claims is made in the event

that the process claims are rejoined with allowed product claims as noted by the Examiner in the

Office Action mailed 29 November 2005.

It is submitted that these amendments do not constitute new matter, and their entry is

requested.

In the Office Action mailed 29 November 2005, the Examiner restricted the claims into 2

Groups. Group I is directed to products and includes claims 1-6, 11 and 12. Group II is directed to

processes and includes claims 7-10. Applicants elect Group I, claims 1-6, 11 and 12. This election

is made without traverse in view of the ability to rejoin product and process claims as noted by the

Examiner. Since the process claims depend from the product claims, Applicants submit that the

claims of Group II should be rejoined upon allowance of the product claims of Group I.

Respectfully submitted,

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